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## **Convicted Sex Offender Sentenced for Torrance Rape Committed While Out on Bail**

A Torrance man was sentenced today to 58 years to life in state prison for raping a woman while he was out on bail on another case, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Frank Dunnick said Guy Allen Dietz, 45, was convicted on Jan. 28 of forcible rape, forcible oral copulation, sexual penetration by foreign object, rape by threat to arrest or deport, oral copulation under threat to arrest and sexual penetration under threat to intimidation.

The sentence handed down by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Steven Van Sicklen of the Torrance Branch includes enhancements for committing the offenses while being out on bail on another felony case, a prior strike conviction for rape and a prior prison commitment.

At the time of the crime, Dietz had been out on bail for failing to register as a sex offender in case LA077201. He also has a 1998 rape conviction and two drug-related convictions in 2005 and 2010.

On Aug. 28, 2014, the victim was raped by Dietz at his home in Torrance, the prosecutor said. Before the attack, the convicted sex offender presented a badge and handcuffs claiming to be an undercover police officer, the prosecutor added.

According to court testimony, the woman attempted to escape during the attack, but Dietz struck her to prevent her from leaving. When the victim eventually escaped from the house she called police.

Dietz fled the scene and the next day led police on a high-speed pursuit which ended with his arrest in Monterey County, according to evidence presented at the trial.

Case YA091064 was investigated by the Torrance Police Department.

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